

## **VII PLANTING DESIGN & LANDSCAPE VIEWS**

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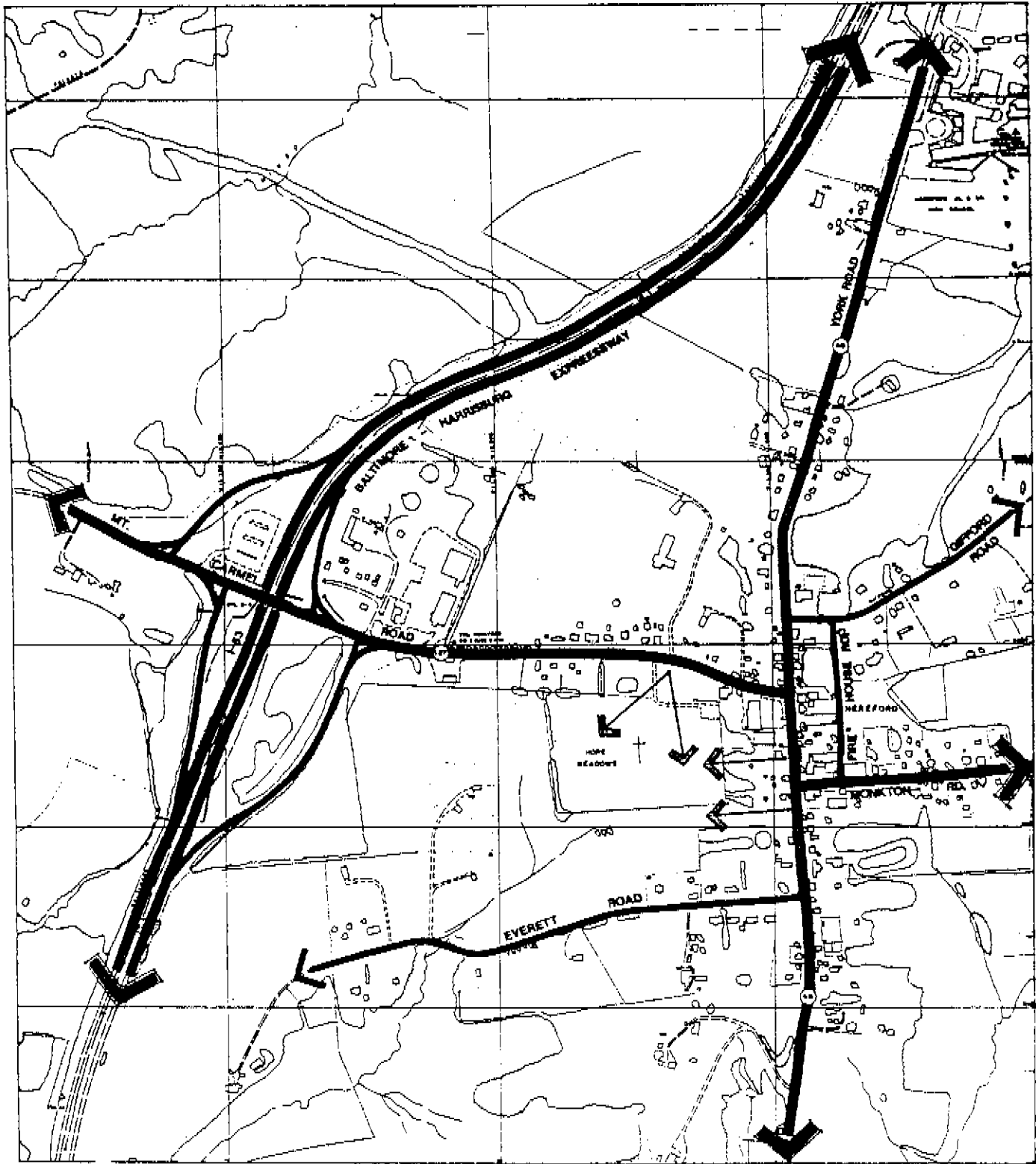
The natural and planted vegetation in Hereford is varied and without consistent design. Each building, old and new, has its own landscape design. The exception to this is the presence of large shade trees along the roads and on adjacent properties. These trees have been impaired through the maintenance of utility lines, age, and other factors.

The topography of Hereford is such that there are only a few places where significant views are possible from the road. These are along the south side of Mt. Carmel Road and to the west of the buildings on York Road south of Mt. Carmel Road, as shown on Map 9.

### ACTIONS

- 1) The tree-lined corridor should be restored along York Road through the following:
  - A) conduct an inventory of the existing street trees and determine the condition of these trees;
  - B) prepare a design for the planting of replacement street trees; and
  - C) seek CIP funding for the replacement of the street trees.
- 2) Prepare a landscape plan for Mt. Carmel Road in association with the Special Study Project Traffic Plan as referenced in the Roads & Traffic section of this report.
- 3) Review proposals for new buildings to encourage the protection and preservation of large healthy trees.
- 4) Review proposals for new buildings in the areas indicated on Map 9 to maximize the preservation or enhancement of views.
- 5) In addition to complying with the Baltimore County Landscape Manual, all projects should follow these guidelines:
  - A) Consideration for utilities:

In developing any landscape plan consideration must be



# LEGEND



Significant Views

SIGNIFICANT VIEWS

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given to existing and planned utilities. This can be accomplished by care in species selection and planting location.

B) Safety and security:

In order to promote safety and security, low shrubbery should be used under windows, around doorways, and as borders between parking areas and roadways. All such plantings are to be maintained so that they do not become a safety hazard.

C) Maintenance:

All landscaping is to be maintained in accordance with good horticulture practices.

D) In general, all landscaping in Hereford is to be done and maintained in a fashion to preserve and promote the village atmosphere, while providing a safe and secure environment for residents and visitors.